

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 17, 1873.

Raad twice and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

AN ACT

To amend an act entitled "An act authorizing the Secretary of War to release twenty-five acres of the lands of the United States at Plattsburgh, New York, to the New York and Canada Railroad Company, and for other purposes," passed June eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of War be authorized and empowered to
4 release to the New York and Canada Railroad Company, its
5 successors and assigns, a right of way along the banks of
6 Lake Champlain, upon and across the land owned and pos-
7 sessed by the United States in the town of Plattsburgh,
8 Clinton County, New York, subject to such restrictions as the
9 Secretary of War may think necessary to protect the interests
10 of the United States: *Provided*, That before the execution
11 of such release the said railroad company shall first pay into
12 the Treasury of the United States the value of such right of
13 way per acre as fixed by the board of appraisers heretofore

14 appointed under the act hereby amended, as stated in their
15 report approved by the Secretary of War. And the Secre-
16 tary of War is further authorized and empowered, in his dis-
17 cretion, to locate the twenty-five acres referred to in said act
18 hereby amended, in the northeasterly portion of the said
19 lands of the United States, and to release the same to the
20 said company, its successors and assigns, subject to the con-
21 ditions and provisos in said act contained, upon the payment
22 of the full value of said twenty-five acres, to be ascertained
23 as in said act provided : *Provided*, That said company shall
24 elect to take said twenty-five acres and pay such value so
25 fixed as aforesaid, within such reasonable time as may be
26 fixed by the Secretary of War, and after due notice from the
27 Secretary to said company.

Passed the House of Representatives February 17, 1873.

Attest :

EDWARD McPHERSON, *Clerk*.